

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview granted July 10, 2007. Applicants believe that an agreement was reached during the interview, as discussed below. Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-14, 20-23 and 44-47 are now pending in the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-14, 20, 44, 45 and 47 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants note that claims 1 and 13 have been amended to further define the quick release mechanism as requested by the Examiner. Specifically, claims 1 and 13 have been amended to more clearly indicate that the quick release mechanism is part of the hood assembly that engages the support structure to provide selective engagement between the support structure and the hood assembly, as discussed with the Examiner during the telephonic interview. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection of claims 1 and 13 under §112 has been overcome. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-14, 20, 22, 23 and 44-46 are respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Claims 22, 23 and 44 are allowed. The Examiner states that claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-14, 20, 44, 45 and 47 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, set forth in this action. As indicated above, claims 1 and 13 have been amended to overcome the §112 rejections.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the

Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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